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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Seth Redmore

Application No.: 09/356,086

Group No.: 2134

Filed: 07/16/1999

Examiner: Norman M. Wright

For: HARDWARE BASED SECURITY GROUPS, FIREWALL LOAD SHARING, AND FIREWALL REDUNDANCY

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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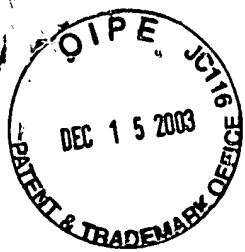
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FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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5. An additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 19-0737.

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AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 116

In response to the Office Action dated September 24, 2003, please enter the following amendments to the above-identified application as follows.